

REMARKS

Applicants have studied the Office Action dated June 17, 2005 and have made amendments to the claims. It is submitted that the application, as amended, is in condition for allowance. By virtue of this amendment, claims 1-11 and 22-28 are pending. Claims 12-21 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 5 and 9 have been amended. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in view of the above amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

In response to the restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicants provisionally elect for continued prosecution of the Species 1 claims that are drawn to the embodiment of the present invention shown in Figure 6, with traverse. It is submitted that claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7-10, and 22-24 are readable on the elected species. Applicants expressly reserve the right to later file divisional applications directed to the non-elected species if this restriction requirement is not later withdrawn.

Applicants traverse the restriction requirement and the position of the Examiner that there are no generic claims. It is respectfully submitted that independent claim 22 is generic. All of the limitations of claim 22 can be read on the embodiment of the present invention shown in Figure 6 (Species 1), the embodiment of the present invention shown in Figure 7 (Species 2), the embodiment of the present invention shown in Figure 8 (Species 3), or the embodiment of the present invention shown in Figure 9 (Species 4). Thus, claim 22 reads on all of the claimed species of the present invention.

Furthermore, Applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 1 and 23 are generic with respect to Species 1 and Species 2. All of the limitations of claims 1 and 23 can be read on the embodiment of the present invention shown in Figure 6 (Species 1) or the embodiment of the present invention shown in Figure 7 (Species 2). Thus, claims 1 and 23 read on Species 1 and Species 2 of the present invention. Further, claims 2-11 depend from claim 1, and claims 24 and

25 depend from claim 23. Accordingly, Applicants request examination of claims 1-11 and 23-25.

Additionally, it is submitted that dependent claims 9 and 10 are also generic with respect to Species 1 and Species 2. All of the limitations of claims 9 and 10 can be read on the embodiment of the present invention shown in Figure 6 (Species 1) or the embodiment of the present invention shown in Figure 7 (Species 2). Thus, claims 9 and 10 also read on Species 1 and Species 2 of the present invention. Further, claim 11 depends from claims 1, 9, and 10. Accordingly, Applicants request examination of claim 11.

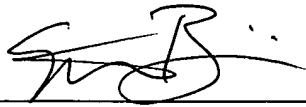
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application and the claims are in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (561) 989-9811 should the Examiner believe a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the application.

If it should be determined that an extension of time is required to prevent this application from becoming abandoned, or for any other reason an insufficient fee has been paid, please charge any insufficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-1556.

Respectfully submitted,

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